

The
First
Presbyterian
Church
of
Jackson



“To Glorify God, And Enjoy Him Forever”

THE LORD'S DAY

The Twenty-sixth Day of June, Two Thousand Sixteen
MORNING WORSHIP
Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'Clock
Senior Minister — The Reverend Mr. David T. A. Strain
Assisting Minister — The Reverend Mr. Wiley P. Lowry III
Minister of Pastoral Care

At the time of the Greetings and Announcements and during the Prelude, the congregation is invited to a season of silent and reverent preparation for corporate worship.

The Greetings and Announcements (8:25 a.m.)

The Prelude — “Lento in B Minor” Frank Bridge

The Introit — “When Morning Gilds the Skies” Joseph Barnby
John Hunt, Music Intern, Directing

The Call to Worship

‡* **The Hymn No. 1** — “All People That on Earth Do Dwell”

‡ **The Prayer of Adoration and Confession**

‡ **The Assurance of Pardon**

‡ **The Doxology**

“From all that dwell below the skies let the Creator’s praise arise;
Let the Redeemer’s name be sung through every land, by every tongue.”

The Gideon Report — Mr. Reginald Blunt

The Scripture Reading — Mark 6:14-29 (Pew Bible page 841)

The Pastoral Prayer

‡ **The Hymn No. 499** — “Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me”

The Presentation of God’s Tithes and Our Offerings

The Offertory — “The Magnificat” Healey Willan
With Gena Everitt, Soloist

“My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

For He hath regarded the lowliness of His handmaiden.

For behold from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed.

For He that is mighty hath magnified me and holy is His name.

And His mercy is on them that fear Him throughout all generations.

He hath shown strength with His arm,

He hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

He hath put down the mighty from their seat and hath exalted the humble and meek.

He hath filled the hungry with good things and the rich He hath sent empty away.

He remembering His mercy hath holpen His servant Israel as He promised
to our forefathers Abraham and his seed forever.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be. World without end, Amen.”

The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — Malachi 3:16-4:6 (Pew Bible pages 802-803)

The Sermon — *Collision: “What a Difference a Day Makes”* Mr. Strain

‡ **The Hymn of Response No. 644** — “May the Mind of Christ My Savior”

‡ **The Benediction**

‡ **The Choral Response** — “Five-Fold Amen” Wymond

The Postlude — “We Know That Christ Is Raised” Stanford/Wood

*The ushers may seat latecomers

‡Congregation standing

EVENING WORSHIP

Six O'Clock

Presiding Minister — The Reverend Dr. Gabriel N. E. Fluhrer

Minister of Discipleship

Assisting Minister — The Reverend Mr. David T. A. Strain

Senior Minister

The Announcements and Words of Preparation (5:55 p.m.)

The Prelude — "Prelude on 'Caritas'"Dale Wood
William Wymond, Organ

The Call to Worship

‡ **The Hymn No. 311** — "Hail to the Lord's Anointed"

‡ **The Prayer of Adoration and Confession**

‡ **The Apostles' Creed** (See Guide)

* **The Greetings**

ü **The Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings**

The Offertory — "Just As I Am"Dale Wood

The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — Colossians 1:15-20 (Pew Bible page 983)

The Sermon — "The Cosmic Christ"Dr. Fluhrer

‡ **The Hymn** — "Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken" (See Guide)

‡ **The Lord's Supper**

The Words of Institution

The Invitation

The Prayer of Consecration

The Communion with Our Lord Jesus Christ and His People

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

‡ **The Hymn of Response No. 296 (Stz. 1-4)** —

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!"

‡ **The Benediction**

The Postlude — "Postlude on 'O Sacred Head'" Johann Kuhnau

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‡Congregation standing

üChildren dismissed after the prayer

**To All Our
Visitors**

We are delighted that you are here with us today. Our hope is that your understanding and love of Jesus Christ will grow because of your visit. To answer any questions you might have, please come by our Greeting Courtyard through the doors on the south side (right side as you face the pulpit) of the sanctuary after the 8:30 a.m. or the 11:00 a.m. worship service. We would love to meet you.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father, Almighty,
Maker of Heaven and Earth:
And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell;
the third day he arose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of
God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge
the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost;
the holy catholic church;
the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body;
and the life everlasting. Amen.

This brief affirmation of basic Christian belief is called the Apostles' Creed, not because one or several of the Apostles of the New Testament were its author, but because it expresses the faith the Apostles taught. So, it is "Apostolic" in the sense that it affirms and preserves the faith which they learned from Jesus. You will notice that we use the traditional translation of the Creed which retains both a beauty of language and some unfamiliar words: "Ghost" is employed where we would use "Spirit," the word "quick" where we would use "living," and "catholic" where we would use "universal." Also, when we say that Christ "descended into hell," we are not saying that upon His death, Jesus actually went into hell; instead, we are affirming that Jesus suffered all the pains and torments of hell as He endured the unmitigated wrath of God.

FPC THIS WEEK

SUNDAY JUNE 26, 2016

Sunday

Pre-Service Announcements — 8:25 a.m. in the Sanctuary
Prayer for Worship Service — 9:00 a.m. and 10:50 a.m. in M133
The Learning Resource Center — 9:30 a.m. – 10:40 a.m. (Library only)
Sunday School — 9:40 a.m. in various locations
Pre-Service Announcements — 10:55 a.m. in the Sanctuary
Children’s Church for 3-year-olds — during 11:00 a.m. worship service in M135
The Learning Resource Center — 5:30 p.m. – 5:55 p.m. (Library only)
Pre-Service Announcements — 5:55 p.m. in the Sanctuary
Senior High Insight — 7:30 p.m. (location to be announced)

Monday

Neighborhood Christian Center “Summer Super Stars” — 8:00 a.m.– 3:00 p.m. in various locations

Tuesday

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The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Adult Choir Supper — 6:00 p.m. in MH
Summer RUF — 7:00 p.m. at the home of the Biggs (4025 Crane Blvd.)

Wednesday

Neighborhood Christian Center “Summer Super Stars” — 8:00 a.m.– 3:00 p.m. in various locations
The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 6:25 p.m.
Family Night Supper — 5:00 p.m. in MH
Children’s Activities — 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. in the Gym/Playground
The Choir — 5:50 p.m. in MS
Mid-week Bible Study and Prayer Meeting — 6:30 p.m. in PH
Children’s “Faithful to All His Promises” Program — 6:30 p.m. in M122/123
Working Moms Bible Study — 6:30 p.m. in WH202
Men’s Bible Study — 6:30 p.m. in WH204
FPC Brass Rehearsal — 6:45 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Thursday

Neighborhood Christian Center “Summer Super Stars” — 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. in various locations
The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Friday

Neighborhood Christian Center “Summer Super Stars” — 8:00 a.m.– 3:00 p.m. in various locations

Saturday

Men’s Prayer Breakfast — 7:30 a.m. in MH

CH - College House
 LH - Lowe Hall
 M - Main Floor
 MCR - Ministers Conference Room

MH - Miller Hall
 MS - Music Suite
 PH - Patterson Hall
 YH - Youth House
 SC - Study Center

WH - Westminster Hall
 HC - Hutton Chapel
 LRC - Learning Resource Center
 SR - Session Room

ANNOUNCEMENTS

II THESSALONIANS 3:1 – “Finally, brethren, pray for us...”

Aaron & Rachel Halbert – Serving as church planters with Mission to the World in Tegucigalpa, Honduras. Email: honduranhalberts@gmail.com

Michael & Roxanne Winebrenner – Serving as a church planter with Mission to North America in Horn Lake, MS. Email: mike@hornlakepca.org

FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary, from the wedding of Allison Rosamond McDill and Brian Davis Barnes, are given to the glory of God and in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Pleasant Zebulon Jones, grandparents of the bride, and Mr. and Mrs. John Hart Geary, grandparents of the groom.

EVENING COMMUNION

Please note that we will celebrate communion tonight in the evening service. For those interested, professionally prepared gluten-free “crackers” will be available. They will be placed on the table on the south wall of the Greeting Courtyard. Please pick up a piece on the way into the evening worship service.

GIDEON SUNDAY

Today is Gideon Sunday. Gideons International is a nonprofit organization supported by individual Christians, local churches, and pastors who realize that presenting people with the Holy Scriptures is an indispensable element in winning them to Christ. All contributions are used to make it possible for others to have their own copy of God’s Word as a free gift. An offering will be taken at the end of both morning worship services, as you exit the Sanctuary. If you want to receive church contribution credit, please make checks payable to First Presbyterian Church.

CHILDREN’S SUNDAY SCHOOL RENOVATION

Parents and volunteers of 1st, 2nd, and 3rd grade children: The 3rd floor of the Main Building is undergoing renovation. During construction the 1st, 2nd and 3rd grade Sunday School classes will move to a temporary location from June 19 through July 31. Parents, please let your children know about this change. Thank you for your patience during this remodeling. The Children’s Ministry Department is working hard to ensure a smooth transition. For any questions please contact Kimberly Wilkins at kimberlyw@fpcjackson.org or 601.973.9105.

Class	New Location
1st grade	Study Center M122 A
2nd grade	Study Center M123 A
3rd grade	Westminster Hall 305 B

SUMMER RUF

College students: Join us for Summer RUF this Tuesday, June 28, at 7:00 p.m. at the home of the Biggs (4025 Crane Blvd.). We’ll hear from Seth Starkey, RUF Campus Minister at Belhaven University, as he continues our series on the parables of Jesus.

MLB TRIP TO ST. LOUIS TO WATCH THE CARDINALS

Men, join us for a fun father-son trip to the Gateway City to catch a couple of Cards games. Dates are Wednesday, July 20 – Friday, July 22. We will catch games Wednesday and Thursday nights, with Thursday free to enjoy local sights like the Arch, The City Museum (a museum like nothing else you’ve ever seen), or a visit to Six Flags. The cost is \$150 per person, which covers transportation, lodging, and game tickets. Food and Thursday’s daytime activities are not included. To sign up, call or email Lisa Walters at 601-973-9102 or lisaw@fpcjackson.org by June 30.

SUPPORT GROUP

If you are struggling with alcohol or other chemical dependence and would like to get together with people who share in the same struggles, we have a small and very safe group that meets regularly for just that purpose. This discreet, monthly meeting is one of friendship, encouragement, and biblical reflection. Personal anonymity is very important at this meeting. For more information, please call or text 601-260-1636. Also, every month a group of those who have family members (spouses, children, siblings, parents) who struggle with addiction meets for a time of mutual encouragement and Christ-centered counsel. Anonymity is required. For more information concerning the place and time of these meetings, call or text 601-260-0388.

HEARING ASSISTANCE

Several members of our congregation have benefitted from the hearing devices that are available during our worship services. These devices transmit the sound from the pulpit directly into a small and unobtrusive earpiece. You may obtain your own hearing device to bring to church each week by contacting Earl Davis in the church office: 601-353-8316

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FAMILY WORSHIP GUIDE

At FPC, we believe that family worship is important. Recognizing the time challenges of a busy week with work and school, we want to make it as easy as possible for you. So we hope you find this Family Worship Guide helpful and use it in your homes this week. Each week addresses a question from the *Westminster Shorter Catechism*, with a daily scripture reference, key thought, and questions for family discussion. You can use this abbreviated version by simply taking this bulletin home with you today, or get the complete version emailed to you weekly by subscribing at <http://fpcj.ms/fam-devo>. Or contact the church office at 601-353-8316 or receptionist@fpcjackson.org.

THIS WEEK'S FOCUS

QUESTION 4: What is God?

ANSWER: God is a Spirit, Whose being, wisdom, power, holiness, justice, goodness, and truth are infinite, eternal, and unchangeable.

MONDAY:

READ: Psalm 14; Romans 1:20-25; Hebrews 11:6

Key Thought: God is.

Questions:

- Why do some people deny that God exists?
- How did God introduce Himself to Moses in Exodus 3:14?
- Do you believe in God? How does your belief affect your life?

Prayer

TUESDAY:

READ: John 1:1-18; 4:24; Psalm 139:7-12

Key Thought: God is a Spirit.

Questions:

- Since God is a Spirit, how is He different from angels?
- Why does the Bible sometimes talk about God as if He has a physical body (eyes, ears, arms, wings, etc.)?
- Since God is a Spirit, how can we know Him at all?
- How do we worship God in Spirit?

Prayer

WEDNESDAY:

READ: Psalm 90:1-4

Key Thought: God is infinite.

Questions:

- How old is God? Can His years be counted?
- Is there anything that God can't do?
- How should God's infinite nature affect how we see ourselves?

Prayer

THURSDAY:

READ: 1 Corinthians 1:20-31

Key Thought: God is infinitely wise, powerful, and holy.

Questions:

- What is the difference between God's wisdom and man's?
- Why should God's infinite power make His enemies afraid?
- Why should God's infinite power comfort His children?
- Since we are unholy, how can we stand in the presence of God?

Prayer

FRIDAY:

READ: Exodus 34:1-8

Key Thought: God is perfectly just, good, and true.

Questions:

- What is justice? Is it different from fairness?
- What does it mean for something to be good?
- What is truth? How do you know what is true and what is not?

Prayer